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MEETING OF THE

REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TASK FORCE

**Monday, March 10, 2008
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

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REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TASK FORCE

AGENDA

March 12, 2008

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Honorable
Pam O'Connor, Chair

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Members of the public desiring to speak on an agenda item or items not on the agenda, but within the purview of the Committee, must fill out and present a speaker's card to the Assistant prior to speaking. A speaker's card must be turned in before the meeting is called to order. Comments will be limited to three minutes. The chair may limit the total time for all comments to twenty (20) minutes.

3.0 REVIEW and PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

4.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

4.1 Minutes of January 30, 2008

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5.0 ACTION ITEMS

None

6.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

**6.1 RCP Workshops
Attachment**

Jennifer Sarnecki
SCAG Staff

3 15 Minutes

Staff will provide a review the workshop held on Feb 13 and invite discussion on future workshops.

6.2 Outreach

Jennifer Sarnecki
SCAG Staff

4 10 Minutes

Staff will discuss materials being prepared to increase visibility of the RCP.



REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TASK FORCE

AGENDA

6.3 Task Force Structure

Staff will invite discussion on the potential on-going role of the RCP Task Force and associated task forces and working groups.

Jessica Kirchner **5** **15 Minutes**
SCAG Staff

6.4 Program Schedule

Staff will provide an overview of the RCP Program Schedule.

Jessica Kirchner **6** **10 Minutes**
SCAG Staff

7.0 **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Honorable
Pam O'Connor, Chair

8.0 **STAFF REPORT**

9.0 **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

10.0 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

11.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting of the Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force is to be determined.

Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force
of the
Southern California Association of Governments
January 30, 2008
Minutes

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TASK FORCE. AUDIO CASSETTE TAPE OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force held its meeting at the Southern California Association of Governments, downtown Los Angeles. The meeting was called to order by Pam O'Connor, Chair. There was a quorum.

Members Present

Cook, Debbie	Huntington Beach
Feinstein, Mike	Ex-Officio
Garcia, LeeAnn (Video)	Grand Terrace
Miller, Michael	Ex-Officio
O'Connor, Pam	Santa Monica
Young, Toni (Phone)	Port Hueneme

Members Not Present

Fesmire, Melanie	Indio
McCallon, Larry	Highland
Nowatka, Paul	Torrance
Parks, Linda	Ventura

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Hon. Pam O'Connor, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No Public Comment

3.0 REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

4.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

4.1 Minutes of November 19, 2007

The Consent Calendar was approved as submitted.

5.0 ACTION ITEMS

None

6.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 RCP Update and Next Steps

Jacob Lieb, SCAG Staff, reviewed the draft Regional Comprehensive Plan with the members of the task force.

6.2 Multiple Benefits Appendix

Jennifer Sarnecki, SCAG Staff, provided an overview of how the multiple benefits affect the Regional Comprehensive Plan that will make its way into the Final Plan.

6.3 MTA Metro Sustainability Program and Potential RCP Partnerships

Chris Liban, Manager of Environmental Compliances and Services at MTA, provided a summary of their guiding principles and policies, summary of their sustainability efforts within the agency, sustainability and climate change efforts, and what can be achieved as partners.

6.4 RCP Public Workshops

Jacob Lieb, SCAG Staff, provided an overview of the schedule of Regional Comprehensive Plan workshops to be held in the near future.

7.0 CHAIR'S REPORT

8.0 STAFF REPORT

9.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m. The next meeting of the RCP task force will be held in March, date to be determined.

MEMO

DATE: March 10, 2008

TO: Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force

FROM: Jacob Lieb, Program Manager, (213) 236-1921, lieb@scag.ca.gov

SUBJECT: RCP Public Workshops

BACKGROUND:

As discussed at the January 31 meeting of the Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP) Task Force, there are four public workshops included as part of the overall program outreach strategy. The first workshop was held on February 13, 2008 in San Bernardino. Approximately 40 people attended, including 8 elected officials. Presentations were given by the San Bernardino County Counsel's Office regarding the county's recent settlement with the Attorney General on greenhouse gas issues, by the South Coast Air Quality Management District regarding long-range air quality challenges, and by SCAG staff on the economy.

The presentations highlighted current issues and challenges that the RCP is intended to address in a regional planning context. In general, the workshop was informative and well-received. At the RCP Task Force meeting on March 10, staff will discuss participant comments contributed at the session. These comments will also be recorded in the RCP as prepared for adoption.

Upcoming workshops will cover other topics included in the plan. At present the anticipated future workshop program is as follows –

Early April on land use, open space and transportation (tentatively in Orange County)

May, on energy, water and solid waste (location tbd)

June, on RCP overview and wrap-up (tentatively at SCAG downtown office).

All the information on future workshops is tentative. When arrangements are formalized, information will be posted to the program website – www.scag.ca.gov/rcp.

Staff, along with the RCP Task Force and CEHD Committee Chairs, is seeking discussion on how to improve format and discussion for the workshops. The following observations from Workshop 1 are contributed as a starting point for discussion:

- Discussion among attendees should be interspersed with presentations.
- There should be more emphasis on inter-connection of issues discussed.
- Participant comments should be reported back to the full group.

MEMO

DATE: March 10, 2008
TO: RCP Task Force
FROM: Jennifer Sarnecki, Senior Regional Planner, (213) 236-1829, sarnecki@scag.ca.gov
SUBJECT: RCP Outreach

BACKGROUND:

As directed by the RCP Task Force, staff has initiated efforts to increase the visibility of the RCP. This item is intended to inform the Task Force on the progress of these efforts as well as solicit input on additional outreach efforts that the Task Force and/or staff should pursue.

The following outreach tasks are currently being pursued by RCP staff, with the assistance of Government Affairs staff:

- Submitting articles on the RCP for relevant organization newsletters such as the American Planning Organization and U.S. Green Building Council
- Presenting to interested cities, subregions, universities and organizations
- Emailing interested parties to publicize workshops
- Translating relevant information into multiple languages
- Promoting the RCP on relevant websites (SCAG, Planetizen, Post Carbon Cities, Facebook)
- Developing posters, fact sheets and handouts for display at conferences and events
- Updating SCAG's website with new information (including video and audio, as feasible)

MEMO

DATE: March 10, 2008

TO: Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force

FROM: Jacob Lieb, Program Manager, (213) 236-1921, lieb@scag.ca.gov

SUBJECT: Role and Structure of RCP Task Force

BACKGROUND:

At the direction of the President, each Policy Committee has reviewed the makeup and charge of Task Forces and Working Groups under their purview. As such, the RCP Task Force was discussed by the Community, Economic and Human Development Committee on March 6.

The RCP Task Force was formed to guide the development of the current Regional Comprehensive Plan. Anticipating adoption of that plan later this year, the Task Force will have completed that charge. That being the case, it is appropriate to re-examine the purpose, make-up and structure of the Task Force. Similarly, several other groups have contributed to the development of the RCP, including the Open Space Working Group, the Energy Working Group, the Water Policy Task Force, and the Solid Waste Task Force.

Any discussions of the Task Force will be informed by the earlier discussions of the CEHD Committee. At the March 10 meeting, staff will give a brief overview of the CEHD discussions. At the same time, staff is interested in any future Task Force structures that might reinforce the interconnectedness of the issues covered in the RCP, and that allows greater opportunities for participation from elected officials, stakeholder groups, professionals and the public.

Discussions of the RCP Task Force will be reported to the SCAG President and Executive Committee for consideration in the context of all SCAG participatory structures.

MEMO

DATE: March 6, 2008

TO: Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force

FROM: Jacob Lieb, Program Manager, (213) 236-1921, lieb@scag.ca.gov

SUBJECT: Regional Comprehensive Plan Update and Schedule

BACKGROUND:

This report serves as a periodic update to the Task Force on the process for finalizing the RCP, and includes discussion of a program schedule change under consideration by the appropriate policy committees.

Circulation

At this time, staff has distributed the Draft RCP broadly among SCAG members, stakeholders, and interested parties. Hard copies were sent to all members of the Regional Council, Policy Committees, every city and county in the SCAG region, selected other public agencies, and individuals that contributed to the development of the plan. The document has also been posted to the SCAG website. Compact discs and e-mail notice of the web posting were more broadly distributed to the SCAG mailing list.

Schedule

The schedule approved by CEHD in December called for the Committee to consider a recommendation to adopt in June, and for the Regional Council to receive that recommendation in July. However, the EEC at its March meeting will consider a revised schedule for the Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the RCP that will necessitate that the adoption schedule be postponed by 3 months. The purpose of this schedule revision is to allow the RTP PEIR to proceed to completion prior to beginning the environmental review for the RCP. The new schedule, should it be approved, is as follows:

RCP PEIR Schedule	
April 7	Start comment period for NOP
May 9	End comment period for NOP
June 5	EEC action to release Draft RCP EIR
June 9	Start 45 day circulation
July 24	End of 45 day comment period
September 4	Ask EEC to recommend adoption of Final PEIR to RC
September 22	Mail responses to commenting agencies/persons
October 2	RC action to certify EIR/Adopt RCP

At the March meeting, and at subsequent meetings, the RCP Task Force will be invited to discuss changes to the detailed program schedule, including the outreach program, in light of this potential change.